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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Kuracina et al.) Art Unit: 3763

Serial No.: 09/846,706) Examiner: Manuel A. Mendez

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102	84	202 42 Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204 140 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	84	209 42 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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139	130	139 130 Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147 2,520 For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
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117	920	217 460 Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218 720 Extension for reply within fourth month	
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119	320	219 160 Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220 160 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
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138	1,510	138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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